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(D) STATE 121033, DTG 120012Z MAY 78 (NOTAL)

1. WASHINGTON CONCURS IN US MISSION ACTION ON DRAFT
COMMUNIQUE PROPOSED REFTEL A. IN ADDITION, MISSION SHOULD
PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL CHANGES TO DRAFT COMMUN-
IQUE (REF B).

A. PARA 9, FIFTH LINE FROM END OF PARAGRAPH. INSERT BETWEEN THE WORDS "WHOLE" AND "SHOULD", THE FOLLOWING SET OFF BY COMMAS: ", WHICH WILL INVOLVE BOTH CIVIL AND MILITARY PLANNING AND RESOURCES,"

B. PARA 13, THIRD LINE. REPLACE THE WORD "STUDIES" WITH, "PROGRESS ON THE PLANNING REVIEW AND".

C. REVISE PARAGRAPH 14 AS FOLLOWS:

"14. MINISTERS EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR OTHER EFFORTS BEING MADE TO IMPROVE STANDARDIZATION/INTEROPERABILITY OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT. THEY WELCOMED THE TRANSATLANTIC DIALOGUE BETWEEN NORTH AMERICA AND EUROPE ON ARMS COOPERATION, AS WELL AS BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL COOPERATION BY ALLIANCE MEMBERS ON SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT PROGRAMS. THEY EXPRESSED THEIR RESOLVE TO COOPERATIVELY PURSUE SPECIFIC EQUIPMENT PROGRAMS RECOMMENDED BY THE LONG-TERM DEFENSE PROGRAM."

D. PARA 16, SEVENTH LINE. REPLACE "NOTED" WITH "ENDORSED". (REFTEL D).

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